



Corvallis Police Department

Working In Partnership with the Community...

Fiscal Year 2002-03 Annual Report



*Officer Lee McColly, Sergeant Dennis Carson, Officer Nick Hurley
and Lieutenant Dan Hendrickson*

Values

The principles upon which we base our policing are:

Service

We value the privilege to provide effective, efficient and equitable service. We respect the members of our community, the importance of a combined crime prevention alliance and the opportunity to provide a united policing effort.

Ethics

We value honesty and integrity, and will demonstrate these values in all of our actions. We are accountable for maintaining the public's trust with the highest ethical standards and adherence to department policy, as well as, local, state and federal law. As police employees entrusted with the authority to maintain the public peace, our values will not be compromised.

Professionalism

We value commitment, responsibility and clear direction. We achieve the essence of professionalism through teamwork, creativity and continual self improvement.

Diversity

We value our differences and acknowledge that our unique backgrounds bring strength to our organization and community. We strive to reflect the community we serve and respect the skills, knowledge and abilities of one another.

Vision

We are committed to working together in a problem-solving partnership with our community. We recognize our responsibility to provide superior police services with the highest professional standards, to combat crime and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Corvallis. We willingly accept this responsibility and hold ourselves accountable for its accomplishment.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to enhance community livability by working in partnership with the community to promote public safety and crime prevention through education and enforcement; to maintain public order while preserving the legal rights of all individuals; to provide effective, efficient and courteous service; and to reduce the impact of crime.

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Office of the Chief/Administration...

provides internal leadership; strategic planning; staff and policy development; and liaison with the courts and State and Federal Law Enforcement. The Administrative Services Unit, staffed by a Management Assistant and three administrative staff support the entire Department through budgeting, research, recruitments, accounting and administrative services. Additionally, the Support Services Lieutenant and one Training Officer coordinate all training and policy review.



Corvallis Police Department is a Nationally Accredited agency that meets the highest standards for excellence in law enforcement.



Message from the Chief of Police

Fiscal year 2002-03 was a transitional year for the Corvallis Police Department with both organizational changes and the phasing out of some programs. In an effort to improve efficiencies the Information and Support Services Division and the Investigative Services Division were consolidated into a single Division under one Division Manager. Additionally, the School Resource Officer Program concluded its final year as did the Ombudsperson, Neighborhood Dispute Resolution Services, and participation in V.A.L.I.A.N.T., the regional drug enforcement team. Although these programs and services will be missed, the Corvallis Police Department will continue to develop strategies to assist youth at risk and partner with the 509th School District, other law enforcement agencies, and the community, to fill these service gaps.

Perhaps the Department's greatest asset is our community volunteer base of over 400 people who volunteer their

time to our Police Auxiliary, Police Cadet, Disabled Parking Enforcement and Neighborhood, Business, Park and First Watch Programs.

These volunteers play a major role in our new service delivery strategy. And finally, our dedicated staff must be mentioned. All members of the Corvallis Police Department remain committed to working together in a problem-solving partnership with the community. It is our vision to provide superior police services with the highest professional standards, to combat crime and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Corvallis.



*Chief of Police
Gary Boldizar*

FY 2002-03 Personnel Profile

Total Employees	89
Sworn Officers	59
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Women/Minority Officers	24%
Bilingual Officers	11%
College Graduates	74%

Corvallis Police Department Facts

	2002	2001	% change
Total Public Safety Dispatches	34,426	35,425	-3%
Total 9-1-1 Center Calls	146,049	124,721	17%
Major Felonies	2,293	2,267	1%
Incidents Investigated	21,183	22,036	-4%
Juvenile Arrests	364	248	46%
Traffic Violations Cited	10,242	10,088	2%
Traffic Accidents	524	473	11%
Traffic Accidents at Top 10 Locations	60	71	-15%
Parking Citations	15,981	19,346	-17%
Neighborhood Watch Groups	143	197	-27%
Business Watch Groups	308	335	-8%

Community Services Division...

uses a community oriented policing strategy to maintain public order, protect lives and property within the City of Corvallis and enforce local, state and federal laws. The Community Services Division, headed by Captain Jon Sassaman, is divided into specialized subdivisions to more effectively meet the needs of the community. They are: Patrol, Traffic, Parking Enforcement, Animal Control, Cadets, and Police Service Dog.



Officer Bryan Rehnberg



Traffic Unit

The focus of the traffic enforcement motorcycle team this year has been to reduce traffic speed in neighborhoods and traffic crashes at the ten most dangerous intersections within the City, which were:

- NW 3rd and Van Buren Ave.
- NW Circle and Hwy 99
- NW 9th and Harrison Blvd.
- NW 9th and Circle Blvd.
- NE Conifer and Hwy 99
- NW 9th and Buchanan
- NW 9th and Van Buren
- NW 4th and Harrison

- NW 3rd and Harrison
- NW Walnut and NW Rollinggreen Dr.

With a Fiscal Year 2002/03 goal of fewer than 76 traffic crashes at these intersections for the year, we are pleased to report that, year to date, only 56 have occurred. Remember, these intersections

are controlled by three-color traffic signals and Oregon Law requires drivers to stop when a steady yellow light is observed, unless it's unsafe to do so. Your vehicle must be through the intersection prior to the signal changing to red. For information on the traffic enforcement program, please call Lieutenant Tim Brewer at (541) 766-6924.



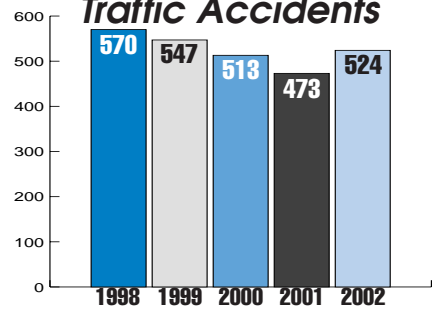
Officer Ryan Thayer
sworn in by
Chief Gary Boldizar

Uniformed Patrol Services

Patrol staffing is comprised of 35 patrol officers, six sergeants, and three lieutenants who operate three shifts per day, seven days a week, and 24 hours a day. In order to better learn and know the residents, types of activities and uniqueness of particular neighborhoods, officers are assigned to a sector of the City for a full year, but also have the flexibility to assist other officers as needed. In 2002 Corvallis Police Officers responded to 21,183 citizen reported incidents.

Some Patrol officers are also trained deputy medical examiners, drug recognition experts, certified police tactics instructors, bike officers and field training officers. Staff work with many local organizations regarding mental health issues, family violence, bicycle and pedestrian issues, and alcohol issues. We are also proud of our collaborative partnerships with the Tavern Owners Association, Oregon Liquor Control Commission, Oregon State University, cultural centers and the Greek community. Once again we have had a safe and successful year, due to the diligent efforts of our community partners and serving officers. For more information please call Captain Jon Sassaman at (541)766-6440.

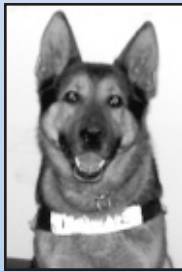
Traffic Accidents



Update on Canine "Dag"

2002 was a busy year for Dag, the Corvallis Police Department Police Service Dog. Not only was he deployed 74 times and captured ten criminal suspects, he also performed almost 140 hours of training! Dag is specially trained to search buildings for suspects, track and trail suspects, search for evidence and provide officer protection. He is also called on to assist other law enforcement agencies.

Dag and his handler, Officer Mike Wells also participate in child safety presentations and demonstrations to community groups and the Citizen Academy. Their work together has proven to be a substantial benefit to catching offenders and keeping officers safe. To find out more about scheduling a presentation, call Lieutenant Dan Hendrickson at (541) 766-6716.



Parking Enforcement

The Parking Enforcement officers' role is to help make parking in Corvallis a positive experience. In addition to patrolling the residential districts, and the area around the OSU Campus, and enforcing the downtown parking ordinance, the one full-time and three part-time parking enforcement officers also make educational presentations to community groups. This year, parking enforcement has seen the retirement of Judy Kachel, who proudly served Corvallis for over 24 years.

In June 2003, the Department purchased a new battery powered, energy and environmentally efficient "GEM" parking scooter at a considerable cost savings to the City. The scooter is powered solely by electricity, produces no air pollution from exhaust fumes and no toxic runoff from dripping oil or gas. So look out for the Gem in service this Fall! For more information on Parking Enforcement please call Lieutenant Tim Brewer at (541) 766-6924.

Animal Control

Animal Control Officer Richard Wendland has two main responsibilities: protecting animals and protecting people from the problems animals can cause. The City Municipal Code and Oregon State Laws prescribe the legal responsibilities of owning an animal, including: providing basic care in terms of nutrition, housing, sanitation, restraint, licensing, protection from abuse, and veterinary care; and protection of the public from harm caused by animals including noise, bites, stray dogs, and aggressive or dangerous animals.

Officer Wendland has over 12 years of experience with animal issues and although his position is only part-time, he responded to 329 calls for service in



Animal Control Officer Richard Wendland

2002. In addition to his enforcement duties, he also is a good resource for information on animal care and safety and dog training. His regular hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:00 a.m. until noon, and Tuesday and Thursday - noon until 4:00 p.m. If you would like further information please call Richard Wendland at (541) 766-6924.

2002 Citizen-Reported Incidents

In 2002, Corvallis police officers responded to 21,183 citizen-reported incidents. The following table depicts selected types of reported crimes. Crimes occurring on the Oregon State University Campus reported to the Oregon State Police and are not included here.

Offense Type	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Aggravated Assault	52	46	43	60	43	41
Arson	25	29	18	17	42	24
Burglary, Commercial	98	117	174	99	79	150
Burglary, Residential	192	197	270	237	264	265
Disorderly Conduct	742	522	73	58	107	72
Drug Offenses	172	153	176	172	162	112
DUII	211	73	123	171	152	150
Forgery/Fraud	418	521	527	359	533	503
Juvenile Curfew	6	7	2	10	16	17
Larceny	1,793	1,752	1,719	1,763	1,757	2,175
Liquor Law Offenses	468	369	360	428	440	318
Motor Vehicle Theft	96	82	69	76	90	120
Murder/Manslaughter	1	2	1	1	0	0
Offenses Against the Family	64	39	29	19	13	36
Other Assault	486	474	337	331	354	320
Rape	16	10	15	13	13	19
Robbery/Armed	10	12	18	22	25	17
Runaway Juvenile	111	109	105	87	100	137
Sex Offenses	50	79	85	88	64	102
Trespass/Prowler*	839	333	285	200	325	266
Vandalism**	1,054	655	720	677	755	827
Weapon Law Offenses	51	23	30	38	62	75
TOTAL	6,955	5,604	5,179	4,926	5,396	5,746

* In 2002 Trespass/Prowler includes Unlawful Entry into a Motor Vehicle which was not previously reported.
 ** In 2002 Vandalism includes Criminal Mischief which was not previously reported.

Investigations and Support Services Division...

was formed in January 2003 and is under the direction of Captain Bob Deutsch. The former Investigation and Prevention Services Division and the Information and Support Services Division were combined into a single division comprised of Investigations, Crime Analysis, Police Auxiliary, Corvallis Regional Communications Center, Records and Evidence. Consolidation of the divisions reduced the number of management staff required to direct operations and improved communications between sections.

Corvallis Police Department

Crime Comparison with State and National Benchmarks

2001 *Index	Crime/ 1000 Index	Crime Clearance	Violent Crime Clearance	Property Crime Clearance	Officers /1000
National	41	20%	46%	16%	2.40
Oregon	50	19%	48%	14%	1.60
Corvallis	43	20%	47%	17%	1.04

**Index crimes are composed of selected offenses used to gauge fluctuations in the overall volume and rate of crime reported. Offenses included are the violent crimes of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault and the property crimes of burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and arson.*

Evidence

Evidence Specialist Debra Hales is responsible for the accurate processing and tracking of all evidence resulting from criminal cases for both the Corvallis Police Department and the Benton County Sheriff's Office. In addition, she also manages found property until it can be returned to its owner. Often, the successful prosecution of criminal



cases relies on physical evidence. The most current laws and techniques in handling evidence must be followed to make certain that the chain of evidence is maintained. Last year the Evidence Specialist processed 6,315 pieces of evidence and property, destroyed 229 weapons and 1,582 drug items. For more information call Lieutenant Jon Keefer, (541) 766-6778.

Final Year for the SRO Program

The close of the school year marked the final year of the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program in Corvallis schools due to budget reductions. Since its implementation in 1991 SROs have proved to be a valuable asset to our youth, teachers, and school administrators, providing student education and interventions, as well as investigating criminal complaints. SROs prepared and delivered programs and lessons that included personal protection, crime prevention, and law related education to students in grades K-12. In the school year 2002-03, SROs Karin Stauder and Luther MacLean provided 250

presentations to students, and conducted 180 diversion interventions.

SROs also worked closely with local juvenile justice and service agencies to identify juveniles at risk of harmful and unlawful behaviors, and to provide additional support. We are aware that the absence of the SRO Program will leave a service gap that will be hard to fill. In partnership with the 509J School District, strategies are being developed to deal with youth at risk, and we remain committed to serving the youth of Corvallis through whatever alternative resources can be identified.

Investigations

Five full-time detectives are assigned to the Investigations Unit under the supervision of Lieutenant Jon Keefer. Investigations are conducted on many different types of crimes including: burglaries, assaults, thefts, computer crimes and sexual offenses. The detectives have received specialized training that has made them experts in their field. They have a unique and difficult job to do that takes an extra measure of dedication, patience and commitment.

Detectives work closely with the Benton County District Attorney's Office to provide follow-up investigation and case preparation. Furthermore, a detective is assigned to the Attorney General's State-Wide Sexual Assault Task Force and Investigations has implemented a new technology to assist in the tracking of abducted children, TRAK (Technology to Recover Abducted Kids).

As a result of September 11, 2001 and events that followed, we have forged an even stronger partnership with the FBI through membership of the Regional Terrorism Task Force. Investigations staff are also active members of the Inter-Agency Crime Team and the Benton County Major Crimes Team. For more information please call Lieutenant Jon Keefer at (541) 766-6778



Corvallis Regional Communications Center (CRCC)



CRCC Supervisor Pam Hicks and Dispatcher Michelle Thurman

The dispatchers in the CRCC answer all 9-1-1 calls and dispatch police, sheriff's deputies, firefighters and emergency medical services for all of Benton County, including three law enforcement agencies and seven fire departments.

The CRCC is a 24 hours a day, seven days a week, operation, staffed by 14 full time dispatchers and one supervisor. Generally three dispatchers are on duty per shift. In 2002, CRCC received 24,922 emergency 9-1-1 calls and 121,127 non-emergency calls, averaging 400 calls every day!

Dispatchers are State certified telecommunicators and are also trained to provide emergency medical pre-arrival instructions to callers to assist in life saving measures. In 2002 alone dispatchers completed over 389 hours of training.

This year the CRCC staff worked with Linn Benton Community College and neighboring agencies to develop a Public Safety Dispatcher Training Program, which began on April 21, 2003. This program is one of only two in the state and is unique because the curriculum involves hands on training and includes instructors from other agencies such as Oregon Emergency Management. For more information about the CRCC please call Supervisor Pam Hicks, (541) 766-6919.

A Successful Year for Crime Analysis

Crime analysis services are relatively new to the Department, beginning in FY 00-01 with the hiring of the civilian crime analyst, Vicki McRoberts. Crime Analysis is a systemized, coordinated program to address local crime trends using advanced computer software programs. Based on the data provided by Vicki, Tactical Action Plans are developed to deter and prevent crime.

In addition to Vicki's primary responsibilities of providing crime analysis to Corvallis Police Department, Benton County Sheriff's Office and Philomath

Police Department; mapping crime trends, and assisting in preparation of tactical action plans; she has also assisted the FBI in a major fraud case, and worked with detectives to predict the location of a stalker, who was later arrested.

Vicki has also developed and written many reports for the new Records Management System, and created an Evidence database to track the movement of all evidence submitted on behalf of the Benton County Sheriff's Office and Corvallis Police Department. For more information on Crime Analysis services, please call Vicki McRoberts (541) 766-6989.

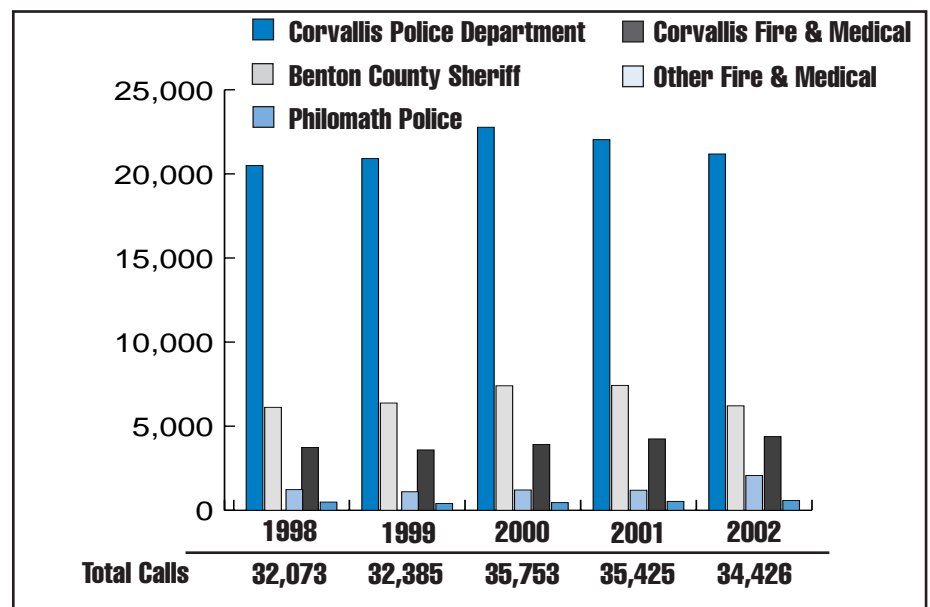
Records Unit

The Records Unit is the "front desk" of the Department. Their duties include providing citizens and staff with information regarding police reports and other police records; report review and control, release of public information, records maintenance and data entry. The Records Unit is staffed by three Records Specialists and one Leadworker, and is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. To contact the Records Unit, please call 766-6924.



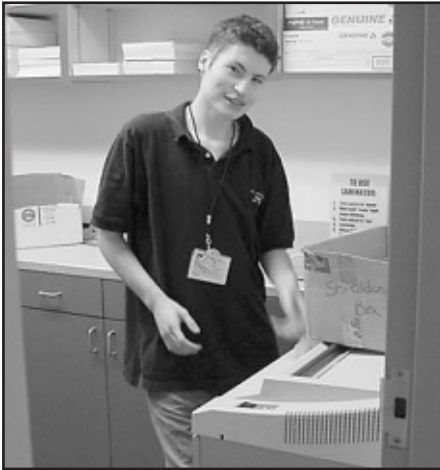
Records Specialists Barbara Davis, Terry Buhr and Alice Derrickson

Corvallis Regional 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Calls for Service



Thank You Volunteers — We Couldn't Do It Without You!

In FY 2002-03 over 400 people volunteered for the Department in various roles, including Auxiliary, Cadets, Disabled Parking, Watch Programs, the Community Policing Forum, and office volunteers. The Police Department is enriched as volunteers provide fresh perspectives and complete important projects that would otherwise be difficult or impossible to accomplish due to funding constraints and diminishing resources. Volunteers and Police Department personnel derive mutual benefit from working together, and volunteers have an opportunity to gain a better understanding of police operations and to contribute to the Corvallis community.



Office Volunteer Casey Cronn



Office Volunteer Tom Brittsan

Police Auxiliary Program

On July 1, 2002, the Corvallis Police Department proudly announced the activation of its Volunteer Auxiliary Program. The Auxiliary concept was created and refined following other law enforcement agencies' similar use of local community members to assist police officers and other employees in carrying out their duties in the community.

The Auxiliary Program broadens the capabilities of the Police Department. Auxiliary members provide customized crime prevention presentations, personal safety education meetings, manage the Neighborhood Watch, Business Watch, Park Watch and First Watch Programs, distribute local crime alerts, and maintain the patrol car fleet's duty equipment and sup-

plies.

In Fall 2002 and Spring 2003 the Auxiliary coordinated and administered the Citizen Police Academy, a ten-week interactive, informative and fun course through which citizen participants receive an overview of actual police training and practices through classroom and hands-on activities.

To obtain more information on the Auxiliary program, Watch Programs, the Citizen Police Academy, or to apply for membership, please call 766-6863.

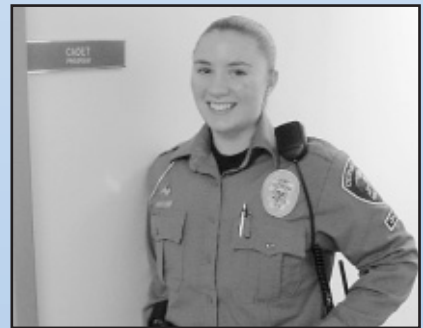


Spring 2002 Citizen Academy Graduates

Police Department Cadets

Corvallis Police Cadets have been active in the community since 1995. They provide many valuable services, including parking services at the Benton County Fair and at OSU football games; citizen tours of the Police Department; participating in Safety Town; and managing storage of found bicycles. They also provide assistance during emergency situations and emergency preparedness drills. In FY 2002-03 alone the Cadets volunteered over 5,500 hours!

Cadets are volunteers ages 15 to 21 who gain training and experience in non-enforcement community policing activities and have opportunities to work directly with police officers and the residents of Corvallis. Cadets attend bi-weekly meetings, group training and scheduled events. Training covers many aspects of community policing, including an assignment to train directly with a patrol officer for 20 hours. For more information on the Cadet Program, please call Lieutenant Dan Hendrickson at (541) 766-6716.



Cadet Sergeant Amanda Gibbs

Your Opinion Matters

2002 Citizen Attitude Survey Results

Service	<i>Demand for Service</i>						
	More/ Much More	Much More	More	The Same	Less	Much Less	Don't Know
Juvenile Crime Prevention	49.1%	11.0%	38.1%	36.7%	3.7%	0.1%	10.4%
Drug Enforcement	38.4%	9.4%	29.0%	40.7%	6.2%	3.8%	10.9%
Neighborhood Traffic Enforcement	34.7%	9.7%	25.0%	45.7%	9.3%	4.5%	5.8%
Criminal Investigation	34.2%	7.2%	27.0%	49.6%	1.1%	0.6%	14.5%
Crime Prevention & Home Security	32.1%	6.5%	25.6%	55.8%	2.9%	0.7%	8.5%
Bicycle Law Enforcement	24.3%	9.4%	14.9%	47.3%	13.5%	6.1%	8.8%
Animal Control	16.6%	4.1%	12.5%	63.2%	8.0%	1.5%	10.7%

A complete copy of the Citizen Attitude Survey is available for review at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library, at the City Manager's Office in City Hall, and on the City's website: www.ci.corvallis.or.us.

Citizen input is an important factor when it comes time to make decisions about Department resources. The City seeks input from citizens in a variety of ways including community meetings, advisory boards, commissions and through the Citizen Attitude Survey. This information is used by City Council and the Budget Commission to assess what programs are valued most by citizens, and by to help make decisions concerning the

prioritization of services. This year the Citizen Attitude Survey was randomly sent to 1,200 registered Corvallis voters. Respondents were asked questions about how they would like City government to address community needs and to rate the quality of service they receive from the City.

Corvallis Police Department is proud to report that 78% of respondents reported the service they received from Police Protection/Crime Prevention was excel-

lent/good and 90% reported the service they received from the Corvallis Regional 9-1-1 Center, operated by Corvallis Police Department, was excellent/good. The top three areas where more/much more service was requested were Juvenile Crime Prevention (49.1%), Drug Enforcement (38.4%) and Neighborhood Traffic Enforcement (34.7%).

Selected results from the Citizen Attitude Survey appear in the above table.

Resource Directory

Police-Fire-Medical Emergencies Only 9-1-1
 Non-Emergency 766-6911
 General Information (T-F, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) 766-6924
 Office of the Chief 766-6925
 Animal Control 766-6924
 Detectives 766-6975
 Parking Enforcement 766-6924
 Cadets Program 766-6578
 Records (T-F, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) 766-6924
 Auxiliary 766-6863
 Internet E-mail address police@ci.corvallis.or.us
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FY 2002-03 Operating Budget

